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COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION ENTERING U.S. NATIONAL STAGE IN U.S. ELECTED OFFICE (EO/US) UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 371

This replies to the Notice of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.495 (FORM PCT/DO/EO/905).

A copy of FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 accompanies this response.

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DECLARATION OR OATH

I. The declaration or oath that was filed was determined to be defective. A new original oath or declaration is attached.

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II.

1. Surcharge fees

Surcharge for filing the oath or declaration later than thirty months from the priority date pursuant to § 1.495(c):

\$130.00

Total Fees

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EXTENSION OF TIME

III. The proceedings herein are for a patent application. Accordingly, the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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PAYMENT OF FEES

V. A check in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed herewith and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 50-0426.

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/30/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/30/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/30/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/30/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 09/30/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/30/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 09/30/2005
- Non-English Language Application filed on 09/30/2005
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The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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